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VOLUNTEER NEWS AND UPDATES



Sign up for Volunteer Shifts on VolunteerHub

Tax Season 2023 started with a bang, and we've already filed 925 federal returns! As more people are receiving their W-2's we need you help to staff our tax sites. <u>Click here to sign up for volunteer shifts</u> on our portal today. **Can't see the volunteer shifts?** That's because you haven't sent us your Volunteer Agreement! Send it ASAP to taxvolunteer@cwfphilly.org.

Training

Live Webinars and In-Person trainings have concluded for the season. Thank you to all who attended! Didn't catch a training? It's not too late! We have pre-recorded webinars available for both basic and advanced trainings on our website!

Sign in and out of Shifts

When volunteering, please remember to sign in and out on the tablet at your tax site to record your hours. If there is no tablet, you can record your hours in VolunteerHub. <u>Click here for a demo showing how!</u>



VOLUNTEER KICK-OFF CELEBRATION!

Thank you to everyone who attended our Tax Season Kick-Off Celebration on Friday, January 20th. We had so much fun celebrating with you. With your help, we hope to file 30,000 returns in 2023 and elevate the economic wellbeing of individuals and families.



NATIONAL EARNED INCOME TAX CREDIT DAY!

On January 27th CWF celebrated National EITC

Awareness Day. The Earned Income Tax Credit is the federal government's most effective poverty-fighting program. This year we plan to help more families than ever take advantage of this credit and increase their refunds up to \$7,000. Guest speakers included PA State Senator, Vincent Hughes, Chief of Equity at the School District of Philadelphia, Sabriya K Jubilee, and District Director, Gwen Felicia Parker-Cox from Congressman Dwight Evans' Office. Attendees enjoyed live music from drum ensemble, Urban Shaman.





NEW HIGH SCHOOL PARTNERS

Please welcome our new student Tax Preparers who will be volunteering on site for the first time this tax season! These students, with the help of their teachers, will earn their VITA certification, gain valuable professional experience, and help individuals and families improve their economic well-being.

- George Washington High School
- Northeast High School
- Roxborough High School
- Mastbaum High School
- Martin Luther King High School
- Dobbins High School
- West Philadelphia High School



WELCOME BACK, LINCOLN HIGH SCHOOL

Sophomores, juniors and seniors from Lincoln High School will be joining us for another tax season as Basic Certified Tax Preparers. We would like to thank, CTE Business Pathway Coordinator, Stacie Johnson, for helping us pioneer this amazing program which is now being replicated in seven other high schools. Go Links!



Lincoln High School students pictured with Stacie Johnson, State Senator Vincent Hughes, Stacy K. Jubilee, Nikia Owens, Melissa Jackson-Schmidt, and Lavonne Nichols.